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Dear Lou:

Thanks for the culture and for your note of the 17th. Seymour acknowledged having gotten my message (and I was pleased you did transmit it -- Ochoa failed the same mission). So thanks for this too.

My flight (NWA 312) is due in at DCA at 2100 on the 24th. It would be good of you to meet me, but I hate to put you ~~xxxxxx~~ to the trouble so late in the evening. I'll look out for you, and take a cab if you're not in sight.

I was planning to stay at the Bethesda In Town motel the nights of the 24th and 25th, but there may have been some confusion. Could I ask you to check with them, and make some alternative arrangement if that one is bozzed? So, see you either Wednesday night or at the meeting....

Esther's done one preliminary run with 9-S^r-2, and it seems to be working fine. Some of the recombinants ~~xxx~~ confirmed as prototrophic, Lac+, and sensitive to Salmonella phages (P22v and Felix' 01) so this is reassuring. We may do a quick screening through our own collection to see if 9 is the best possible starting point for Salmonella \otimes genetics, now that you've led the way. She sends her best.

Yours

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